



DECEMBER 2022

# HCPC CONNECTIONS

HARNETT COUNTY PARTNERSHIP FOR CHILDREN



## HELLO, FRIENDS!

December is a favorite month for many and with good reason. The smell of freshly baked gingerbread cookies is filling the air. Festive lights and decorations are making days merry. Laughter and the feeling of home are filling hearts. And no matter which holidays we celebrate, the most important thing is to enjoy the season and share that joy with your loved ones. Tap into your inner child and have fun. Laugh loudly, play games, sing with all your heart, and share all the joy of the season with everyone you encounter, especially the children in your life!

*Wishing you the happiest holiday season!*



## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

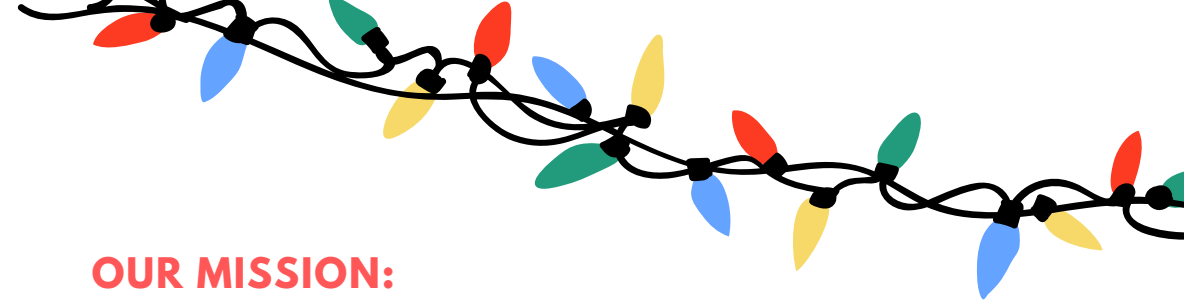
- **December 1st:** Jingle Mingle Artisan & Craft Fair with Santa & Mrs. Claus
- **December 7th:** Kaleidoscope Play & Learn Training
- **December 23rd & 26th:** HCPC closed in observance of Christmas
- **January 2nd:** HCPC closed for New Year's



*Happy Holidays!*







## OUR MISSION:

Our mission is to improve the quality of life for young children and families in Harnett County, through community based programs focusing on health, education, and family support.

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## A LOOK BACK AT NOVEMBER:



170 Pine State St, Lillington, NC 27546 | Phone: 910-893-2344 | [www.harnettsmartstart.org](http://www.harnettsmartstart.org)



# December

-  - Lillington Ready to Grow Playgroup (RTG)
-  - Erwin Ready to Grow Playgroup (RTG)
-  - Kaleidoscope Play & Learn Training (KP&L)
-  - Spanish Speaking Groups
-  - Circle of Parents (COP)
-  - Zumbini

SUN. MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SAT.



## LOCATIONS:

APL - Angier Public Library

EPL - Erwin Public Library

HCPL - Harnett County Public Library

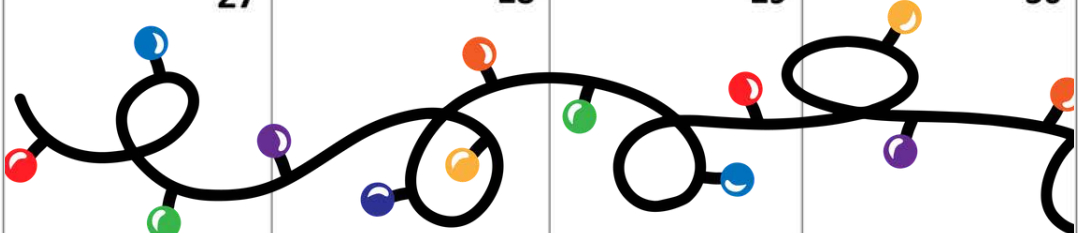
Erwin Groups: 494 Antioch Church Rd, Dunn

Lillington Groups: 327 Pine State St., Lillington



11am - 3pm:  
**Jingle Mingle  
with Santa &  
Mrs. Claus**  
(HCPL)

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4	5 10:30am : RTG (Lillington)	6 10:30am - RTG with Zumbini (Lillington)  2pm: Spanish- Speaking COP (Lillington)	7 9am: KP&L 101 Training (Lillington)  2pm: RTG (Erwin)	8 9:30am: COP (Lillington)  4:30: COP (Lillington)	9 10am: Zumbini Holiday Dance Party (HCPL) 11am: Zumbini Holiday Dance Party (HCPL)	10
11 10am: Zumbini Holiday Dance Party (APL) 11am: Zumbini Holiday Dance Party (APL)	12	13	14 10am: Zumbini Holiday Dance Party (EPL)	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 First Day of Winter	22	23 HCPC Closed	24
25 Merry Christmas	26 HCPC Closed	27	28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve



HAPPY  
KWANZAA





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Sharing Ideas. Sharing Support.

## Circle of Parents



Parenting is joyful, but can also present difficulties and challenges.

Feel empowered, supported, and strengthened as you attend weekly Circle of Parents' meetings. Join other Harnett County parents/caregivers at our Circle of Parents' group.

- SPANISH-SPEAKING CIRCLE OF PARENTS  
TUESDAYS @ 2PM / 327 PINE STATE ST. LILLINGTON
- LILLINGTON MORNING CIRCLE OF PARENTS  
THURSDAYS @ 9:30AM / 327 PINE STATE ST. LILLINGTON
- LILLINGTON EVENING CIRCLE OF PARENTS  
THURSDAYS @ 4:30PM / 327 PINE STATE ST. LILLINGTON

To register, email [familysupport@harnettsmartstart.org](mailto:familysupport@harnettsmartstart.org) or call 910-893-2344.



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Círculo de Padres



Es una dicha ser padres, pero también presenta dificultades y desafíos.

Siéntase empoderado, apoyado y fortalecido mientras asiste a las reuniones semanales del Círculo de Padres. Únase a otros padres/proveedor de cuidados del Condado de Harnett en nuestro grupo de Círculo de Padres.

- CÍRCULO DE PADRES DE HABLA HISPANA  
MARTES @ 2:00 PM / 327 PINE STATE ST. LILLINGTON
- LILLINGTON CÍRCULO DE PADRES- MATUTINO  
JUEVES @ 9:30 AM / 327 PINE STATE ST. LILLINGTON
- LILLINGTON CÍRCULO DE PADRES- NOCTURNO  
JUEVES @ 4:30 PM / 327 PINE STATE ST. LILLINGTON

Para registrarse, envíe un correo electrónico a [familysupport@harnettsmartstart.org](mailto:familysupport@harnettsmartstart.org) o llame al 910-893-2344.



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# DOLLY PARTON'S IMAGINATION LIBRARY



FREE BOOKS  
FOR CHILDREN  
UNDER 5



Register Online Today!  
[www.harnettsmartstart.org](http://www.harnettsmartstart.org)



SCAN THE QR CODE WITH YOUR  
CELL PHONE CAMERA TO REGISTER  
YOUR CHILD FOR FREE BOOKS!

## PREFER TO MAIL IN YOUR REGISTRATION FORM?

Drop off or mail your completed form to:

Harnett County Partnership for Children, Attn: DPIL, 170 Pine State St, Lillington, NC 27546



### Dolly Parton's IMAGINATION LIBRARY Official Registration Form (one per child required)

Privacy Statement: This information will not be used for any purpose other than the Imagination Library.

PLEASE PRINT

Child's FULL Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: M F Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
MONTH DAY YEAR

Parent/Guardians Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(If Different)

ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

"This child is a resident of YOUR TOWN, USA" \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN

**Sign up your  
child today!**

Simply fill out the form and mail to:

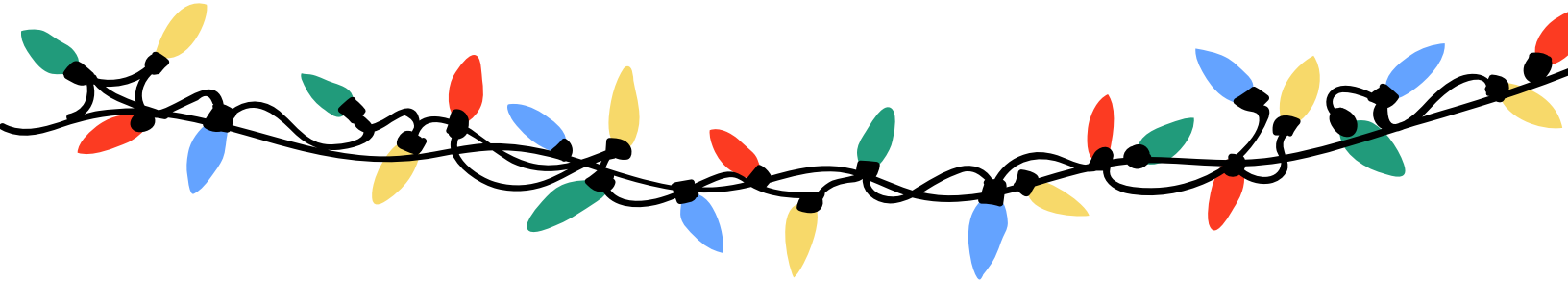
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“Goodnight With Dolly” features Dolly Parton reading a series of Imagination Library books. Dolly welcomes the viewers and introduces the title, author and illustrator. Snuggled in bed with her Imagination Library book, Dolly shares stories and the readings are a mixture of Dolly and the interior pages of the books. The books include “There’s a Hole in the Log on the Bottom of the Lake” by Loren Long, “Llama Llama Red Pajama” by Anna Dewdney, “I Am a Rainbow” by Dolly Parton, and many more! The series is a personal gift from Dolly to all families.



**SCAN THE QR CODE  
TO VISIT THE  
GOODNIGHT WITH  
DOLLY PLAYLIST**







# HEALTHY HABITS FOR HARNETT

## DECEMBER CLASSES

# zumbini®

## Holiday Dance Party

with Ms. Dollie

December 9th @ 10:00 & 11:00

Harnett County Public Library  
(Lillington)

December 12th @ 10:00 & 11:00  
Angier Public Library

December 14th @ 10:00  
Erwin Public Library

REGISTRATION



SCAN ME

Please register  
for one location  
only



♥Registration is Required♥Space is Limited♥



# HEALTHY HABITS FOR HARNETT

## JANUARY CLASSES



### Peace Love & PJ's



Children Ages 3-5

REGISTRATION



SCAN ME

Wear your favorite PJ's and  
bring a stuffed animal for an  
awesome  
Pajama Party Yoga Class!



Harnett County Public Library (Lillington)- Friday, January 6th at 10:00

Angier Public Library- Friday, January 13th @ 10:00

Dunn Public Library- Friday, January 20th at 10:00

Coats Public Library- Wednesday, January 25th at 10:00

Erwin Public Library-Friday, January 27th at 10:00



### JANUARY zümbini®

with Ms. Dollie

REGISTRATION



SCAN ME

January 5th @ 10:00- Erwin Public Library

January 10th @ 10:00 & 11:00- Harnett  
County Public Library (Lillington)

January 11th @ 10:00 & 11:00- Angier  
Public Library

January 19th @ 10:00 & 11:00- Angier  
Public Library

January 30th @ 10:00- Erwin Public  
Library

January 31st @ 10:00 & 11:00- Harnett  
County Public Library (Lillington)



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# MOTHEREAD

## LEARN ENGLISH FREE!



### LOCATION:

Angier Baptist Church  
155 S. Hickory Street  
Angier, NC 27501

**Class Starts: September 6, 2022**

### Class Schedule:

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and  
Thursdays, 9:00 am - 1:30 pm

For more information, please  
call at 910-814-8975.

FREE!

FREE!

FREE!

### MOTHEREAD PROGRAM

A family literacy program for parents/caregivers of 0-5 years old (Pre-K) children. Bring your children to class with you!

Learn English speaking, reading, and writing skills

Learn basic computer skills

Childcare teachers for nursery and preschool age children

FREE snacks for you and your children

FREE children books to take home

Opportunity to read books in English to your children at home



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## ¡Aprende inglés gratis!



### Ubicación de la clase:

Angier Baptist Church  
155 S. Hickory Street  
Angier, NC 27501

### Horario de clase:

Primera clase: September 6, 2022  
martes, miércoles y jueves  
9:00 A.M. - 1:30 P.M.

Para más información, llame al  
910-814-8975.

¡GRATIS!

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### PROGRAMA MOTHEREAD

Un programa de alfabetización familiar para padres / cuidadores de niños de 0 a 5 años (Pre-K). ¡Traiga a sus niños a la clase con usted!

Aprende inglés, lectura y escritura

Aprender conocimientos básicos de informática

Cuidado personal para bebés y preescolares

Bocadillos GRATIS para usted y sus niños

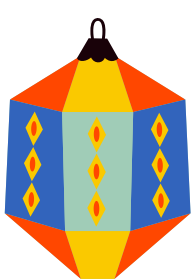
Libros GRATIS para niños para llevar a casa

Oportunidad de leer libros en inglés a sus niños en casa

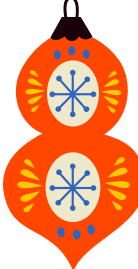


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# NC PRE-K



Harnett County NC Pre-K Classes have had A wonderful fall season! Here are a few moments they wanted to share!



Scan the QR code with your cell phone camera to access the NC Pre-K application.





# NC PRE-K







# READY TO GROW



Ready to Grow Playgroup facilitates developmentally appropriate playgroups for children and caregivers who reside in Harnett County. Eligible children must be between the ages of birth through 5 years old. Playgroup facilitators use Kaleidoscope Play & Learn Curriculum to provide hands on activities that focus on early literacy and social emotional competency. Caregivers learn about the purpose of play and will connect with other parents during group time. Children and caregivers will participate in coordinated group activities to prepare the children for success in school.

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Erwin Playgroup meets on Wednesdays from 10:30am - 12pm @ 494 Antioch Church Rd, Dunn, NC 28334

Lillington Playgroup meets on Mondays from 10:30am-12pm & Tuesdays from 10:30am-12pm at 327 Pine State St, Lillington.

Lillington Spanish-Speaking Playgroup meets Wednesdays from 2pm-3:30pm at 327 Pine State St, Lillington.

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Find Us On:



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HAVE FUN





# READY TO GROW PLAYGROUP

For the month of December, we will continue with the theme of "Everyday Activities." Please note that the last of the 2022 Ready to Grow Playgroups will meet on December 7th at our Erwin location.

We hope you have the happiest of holidays and new year!

-Carmen -Jordan -Katie -Whitney

## THEME OF THE MONTH:

Every Day Activities

## CAREGIVERS WILL LEARN:

Caregivers will learn strategies to include children in everyday activities.

## KEY MESSAGE

During everyday activities such as bathtime, dressing, going grocery shopping, cooking, and mealtimes, children can learn a variety of new skills such as: Gross/ fine motor skills, language, sensory, problem-solving skills, social emotional and self helps skills.



## BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE MONTH:

- Bathtime Piggy Wiggy by Christyan and Diane Fox
- Froggy Gets Dressed by Jonathan London
- At the Supermarket by Anne Rockwell
- Cooking With the Cat by Bonnie Worth
- Stone Soup by Ann McGovern
- Eating The Alphabet by Lois Ehlert







## GRUPO DE JUEGOS LISTO PARA CRECER

El Grupo de Juegos Listo para Crecer tendrán sus reuniones en persona en Lillington. Las familias del condado de Harnett, que tengan niños recién nacidos hasta 5 años de edad, son bienvenidos a participar. Las familias tendrán la oportunidad de aprender y jugar con otras familias en persona.



Erwin Playgroup - Miércoles de 10:30 de la mañana a 12 de la tarde  
@ 494 Antioch Church Rd, Dunn, NC 28334

Lillington Playgroup - Lunes de 10:30 de la mañana a 12 de la tarde  
@ 327 Pine State St, Lillington, NC 27546

Lillington Habla-Hispana Playgroup - Miércoles de 2 de la tarde a 3:30  
@ 327 Pine State St, Lillington.

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# GRUPO DE JUEGOS LISTO PARA CRECER

Este mes continuaremos con el tema de “Actividades Diarias”.

La última sección de Grupos de Juego será Diciembre 7th y

Circulo de Padres el día 8 de Diciembre.

¡Feliz Navidad y Próspero Año Nuevo!

-Carmen -Jordan -Katie -Whitney

## TEMA DEL MES:

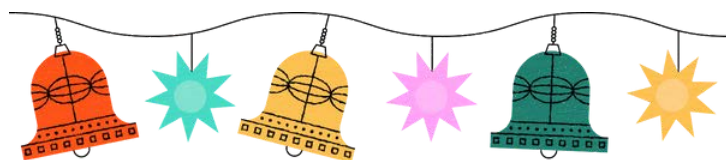
Actividades Diarias

## OBJETIVOS DE APRENDIZAJE:

Como incluir los niños en nuestras actividades diarias.

## MENSAJE CLAVE:

Durante las actividades diarias como bañarlos, vestirlos, ir a comprar la comida, cocinar y comer, los niños pueden aprender actividades motoras como la coordinación y habilidad de moverse, pronunciación de las palabras, usar los cinco sentidos, resolver problemas, hacer amigos, respetar y tratar bien a los demás.



## LIBROS RECOMENDADOS PARA ESTE MES:

- Bathtime Piggy Wiggy by Christyan and Diane Fox
- Froggy Gets Dressed by Jonathan London
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- Cooking With the Cat by Bonnie Worth
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# STEP

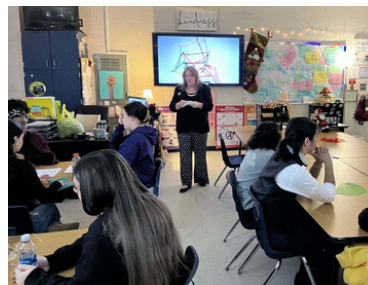
## HELLO FROM THE STEP TEAM:



The HCPC STEP Team has had a busy fall season and is now ramping up to finish up 2022 with their continued support for Harnett County Early Childhood Professionals.



In November, Overhills High School and Mrs. Morris' Counseling and Mental Health I class, welcomed HCPC's Lynda Turlington to present on brain development and toxic stress. The class played the Brain Architecture game and learned about the positive and negative effects that stress can have on brain development.



Harnett County Family Childcare Homes had a great November training/meeting with our Early Childhood Program Coordinator, Lynda Turlington! Always a great opportunity to learn from peers. November participants included: Bonita Price, Little Angels, and Tammy's.



Join the Harnett County Early Child  
Care Professionals Facebook Group!





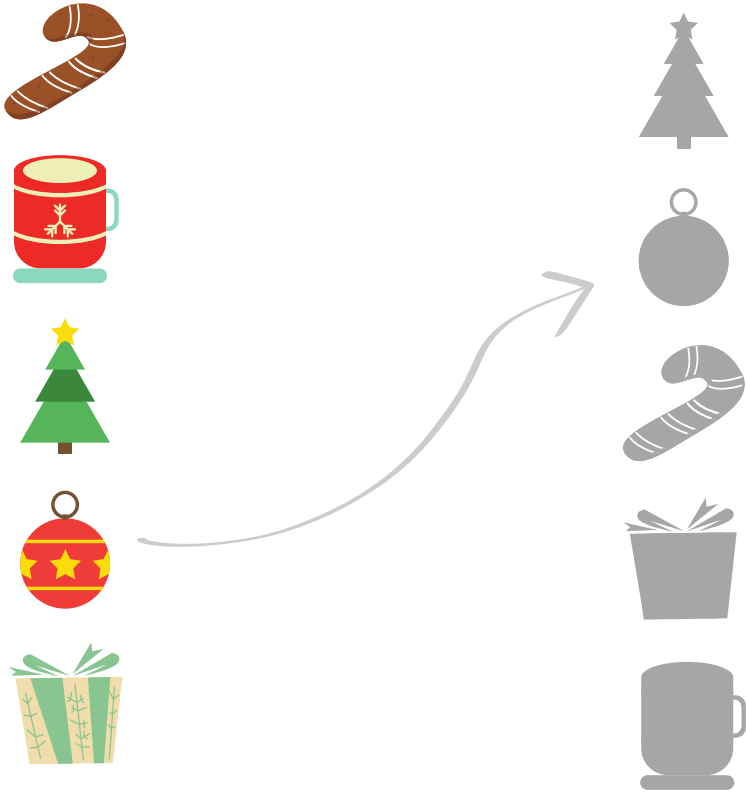


# KIDS' CORNER

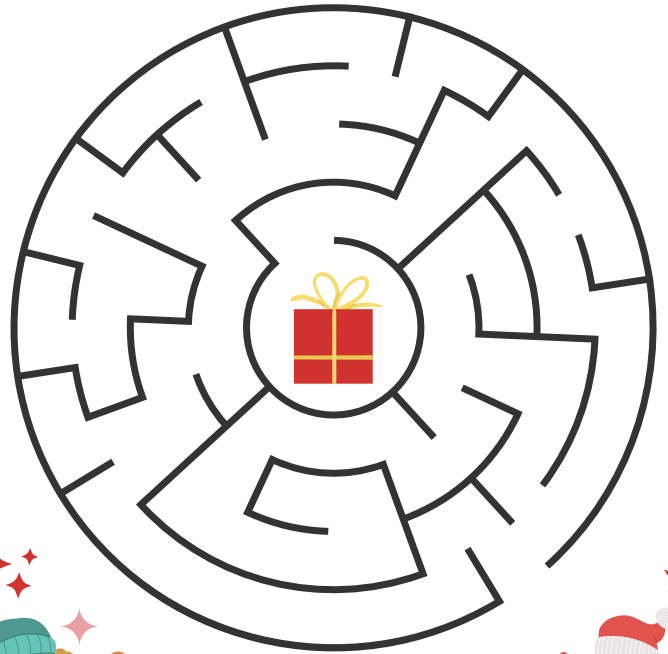


## SHADOW MATCHING

Draw a line between each Christmas element and its shadow.



## HELP SANTA GET TO THE GIFT



## JOKE OF THE MONTH:

What do elves learn in school?



*\*The Elf-abet!\**



## FUN FACT OF THE MONTH:

### DID YOU KNOW?

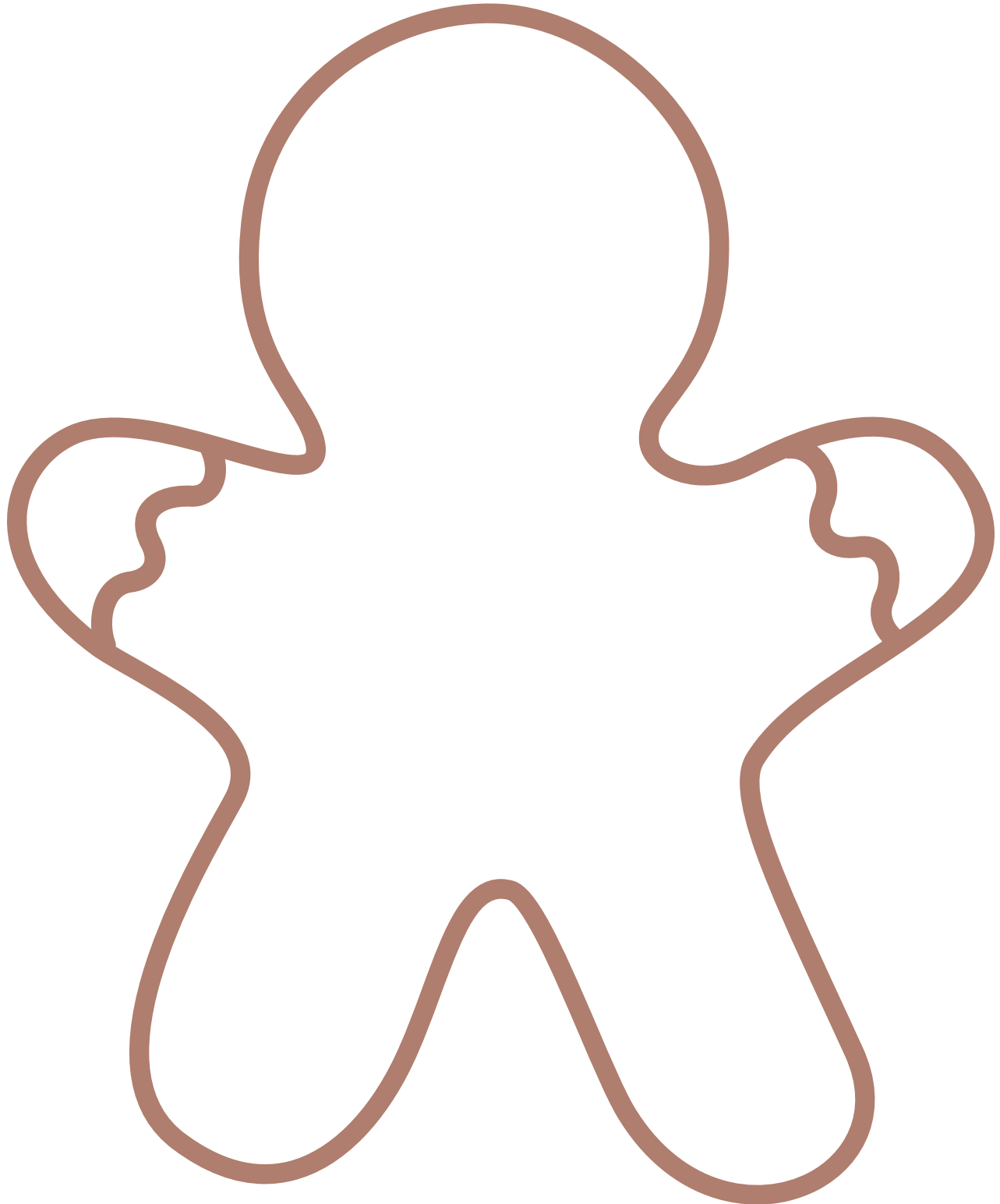
Reindeer eyes can change color from gold to blue, and back again.





# GINGERBREAD COOKIE

A Gingerbread cookie is a delicious holiday treat. Decorate your cookie to make it look even more delicious!



Submit a copy of your child's work to be featured on our Facebook page and on the HCPC website! Email to [info@harnettsmartstart.org](mailto:info@harnettsmartstart.org)